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Kite Aerial Photography

JSR [REDACTED] Tue, Jan 15, 2019 at 2:51 PM
To: Michel Lambert [REDACTED]

In any case, I'll make 1pm tomorrow work. I'll carve out an hour. If you have trouble reaching me on WhatsApp you can always try and call my number directly.

All the best,

John

On Tue, Jan 15, 2019 at 2:33 PM JSR [REDACTED] wrote:

Thats really strange. I've got WhatsApp open. Do you want me to try and call you on WhatsApp right now?

John

On Tue, Jan 15, 2019 at 2:30 PM Michel Lambert [REDACTED] wrote:

Hi John,

Yes, I tried making the call several times with no success, the connection here is very bad. I will try calling tomorrow same time, if convenient, and will let you know in case there's a problem.

Thank you very much for your understanding, I very much appreciate it.

Michel

On Tue, Jan 15, 2019 at 6:27 PM JSR [REDACTED] wrote:

Hello Michel,

It seems like you must have had trouble with your connection? Just let me know what would work best for you and I'll accomodate!

All the best,

JSR

On Tue, Jan 15, 2019 at 2:02 PM JSR [REDACTED] wrote:

Hi Michel, let me know if you are having trouble making the call and we can try something else.

John

On Mon, Jan 14, 2019 at 11:38 PM JSR [REDACTED] wrote:

Good Evening Michel,

Yes, scheduled in,. WhatsApp should be fine, though I have found that sometimes it misbehaves in some African countries. I also use Signal Messenger so we can try that if WhatsApp does not work. Also, I'd also be happy to meet up if you are passing through the big apple, just let me know your schedule.

About apartments: yes, finding the right place is not easy, and apartments are always more expensive than the budget you plan for., or they have some fatal flaw that wasn't disclosed. I have been trying to recruit savvy friends to accompany me for viewings. Mixed luck so far.

Speak tomorrow,

John

PS: Glad you found the Duffy article interesting. I'm attaching Wigmore O & Mark B (2017) as a PDF.

On Mon, Jan 14, 2019 at 9:58 AM Michel Lambert [REDACTED] wrote:
Hi John,

Best of luck with your apartment hunting. Not an easy task in such a big and busy city.
I may actually travel to NYC in the coming weeks, so it would be great if we could pencil in a meeting.

I am looking forward to our conversation - Tuesday the 15th at 01:00 pm New York time.
As I am further south than Dakar at the moment, and cell reception is tricky, I will most probably call you on WhatsApp.

In the meantime, thank you very much for the research you've sent. It truly is a fascinating field that we really don't know enough about. I am currently looking over the article by Duffy (2018) but I'm having trouble accessing the one by Wigmore O & Mark B. If you happen to have a copy of this article you could send me that would be great.

Looking forward to speaking with you,

Best regards,

Michel

On Sat, Jan 12, 2019 at 12:21 AM JSR [REDACTED] wrote:
Hi Michel,

No worries, I remember bad cell networks in Dakar...it makes me nostalgic. I'm excited that you are interested in KAP, its a pretty versatile technology. There are also situations where it can be paired with a UAV based approach: the kite platform is used for high wind / high altitude, then you use UAV for high detail low altitude operations.

I'm in NYC apartment hunting next week, so it will be 1PM my time, which is fine.

I'm at: [REDACTED]

All the best,

John

PS: I'm sure you have done your research, but here are two recent KAP papers that are worth taking a look at:

-Wigmore O & Mark B (2017) **High altitude kite mapping: evaluation of kite aerial photography (KAP) and structure from motion digital elevation models in the Peruvian Andes.** *International Journal of Remote Sensing*, Volume 39, 2018 - Issue 15-16.

This is a neat evolution of the structure-from-motion techniques that are possible when the platform is always in motion anyways.

-Duffy et al. (2018) **Tracking Fine-Scale Structural Changes in Coastal Dune Morphology Using Kite Aerial Photography and Uncertainty-Assessed Structure-from-Motion Photogrammetry.** *Remote Sens.* 2018, 10(9), 1494.

Here is a good example of an in-the-field implementation of coastal dune mapping, something that I was also doing along the coast of Dakar where the protective dunes face erosion and man-made sand theft.

On Fri, Jan 11, 2019 at 12:39 PM Michel Lambert [REDACTED] wrote:
Hi John,

Thank you for your prompt reply.

I am eager to learn more about KAP and its potential uses.
I am currently on a business trip to Africa and am having some difficulties with cell reception.
Could we possibly set a phone call for 10:00 am (Pacific Standard Time) on Tuesday, January 15th?
Is there a number I can reach you at?

Best regards,

Michel

On Wed, Jan 9, 2019 at 3:11 PM JSR [REDACTED] wrote:

Michel,

Nice to meet you. I would be happy to have a conversation with you. Please let me know what time would work for you.

Very best,

John Scott-Railton

On Wed, Jan 9, 2019 at 8:44 AM Michel Lambert [REDACTED] wrote:

Dear Mr. Scott-Railton,

My name is Michel Lambert and I am a Director & Head of Talent Acquisition at CPW-Consulting – an agricultural consulting firm based in France. Over the years our firm has been involved in many agricultural projects across Africa.

Recently we have been working on a couple of projects that deal with the rapid changes the African ecosystem has been facing over the past decade due to climate change and shifts in long-term weather patterns.

As a result of the unique challenges and difficulties that Africa presents, we are constantly on the lookout for innovative tools and technologies that can help us improve the services we offer our clients.

I've recently come across some of the fascinating work you've done in Dakar using Kite Aerial Photography and was quite impressed. We have a few clients and projects coming up that could significantly benefit from implementing Kite Aerial Photography.

I would very much like to learn more on the topic and would be grateful if we could get in touch on the matter.

Best regards,

Michel

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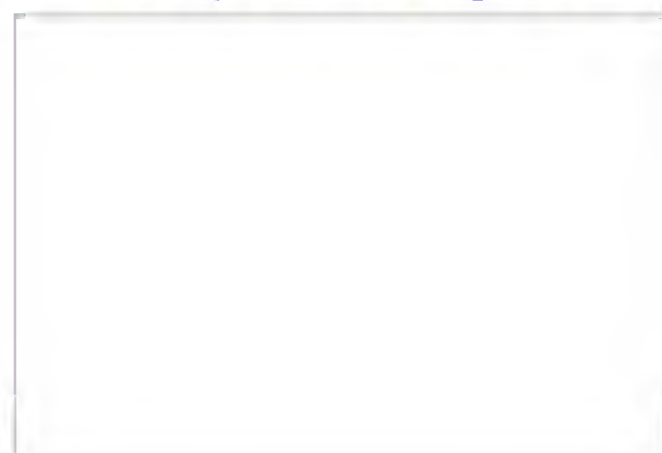
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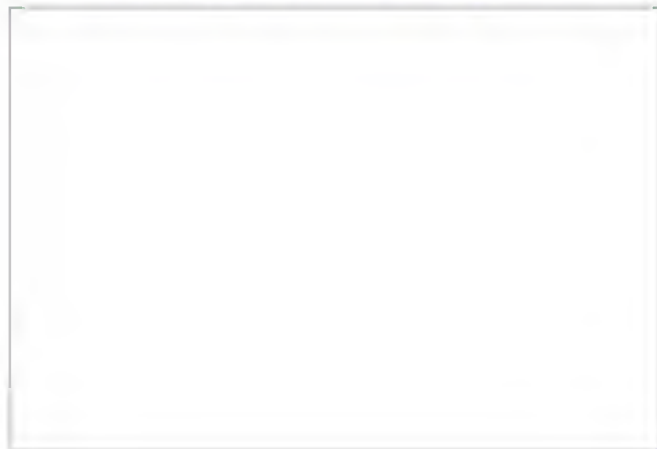
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